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USD FOOTBALL TO JOIN NEW PIONEER FOOTBALL LEAGUE IN 1993

The University of San Diego is pleased to announce that our football program will become a member of the new Pioneer Football League effective with the 1993 season.

This decision was made as a result of the elimination of NCAA multidivision classification and the lack of support for proposed I-AAA legislation as a result of the 1991 and 1992 NCAA Conventions. Current members of the Pioneer Football League are Dayton University, Butler University, Valparaiso University, Evansville University and Drake University.

States USD Director of Athletics Tom Iannacone, "USD is compatible institutionally with the membership in that we are independent Division I institutions and also in regard to admissions standards, financial aid policies, and the manner in which we conduct our football programs. The financial aid model is nonscholarship with aid based on need. We are excited about this new direction and for the future of our program."

By joining the Pioneer Football League in 1993, the USD football program will end thirty years of participation as an independent. The USD football program, which is coming off a 7-3 year and fifth straight winning season, will play its last year as an NCAA Division III independent during the upcoming 1992 campaign.

Head coach Brian Fogarty, who will take a career mark of 47-38-2 into his 10th season this fall, is excited about the future of USD football.

"We are very excited about the opportunity to be part of the Pioneer League. This gives us the stability we need to develop our program at the I-AA level. Our national schedule will be one of the most unique small college football schedules in the country. The future of our program is very bright."